

BOERS CLOSE IN
ON MAFEEKING.

Colonel Baden-Powell On The Alert.

THE SHELLING CONTINUES

But Very Little Harm is Being Done—Defenders Make Successful Night Attack on Boer Trenches—A Report by Natives That the Boers Were Severely Defeated at Ladysmith on Thursday.

London, November 13.—The War Office this morning published the following dispatch received from General Buller: "Cape Town, Sunday, November 12.—Night.—The following reports have been received from Colonel Baden-Powell: "Mafeking, Monday, October 30.—All well here. Enemy apparently shy of attacking. Now closing to invest us. Are today destroying railway two miles north with dynamite. Shelling continued, doing very little harm.

"Tuesday, October 31.—Enemy attempted assault today on Cannon Korje and southeast corner of town. Attacked most brilliantly notwithstanding hot shell fire by the British South African police under Walford. Enemy lost heavily. Our casualties, 5 killed and 5 wounded. Killed, Captains D. H. Marshall, C. A. Petchell, Third Kings Rifles; a sergeant major and two troopers. Wounded, five non-commissioned officers and troopers. All British South African police."

The War Office also made public the following dispatch from General Buller: "Cape Town, Sunday, November 12.—The following is from Nicholson: "Bulawayo, Sunday, November 5.—The following is from Baden-Powell: "Mafeking, Wednesday, October 25.—All well here. Enemy still shelling. We made successful night attack on their advanced trenches last night, getting in with bayonets. Our loss, six men of the Protectorate Regiment killed; 9 wounded, including Captain Fitz-Clarence, Third Royal Fusiliers and Lieutenant Swinton. Enemy's loss unknown, but considerable. Enemy have vacated Signal Hill and lagged two miles northeast of town and two miles southeast."

BOERS WERE DEFEATED.

London, November 13.—A special dispatch from Durban, Natal, dated Thursday, November 9, evening says: "Native runners who have just arrived here from the Drakensberg district report that the Boers suffered a defeat at Ladysmith this morning. The Boer guns were silenced after four hours of fighting, during which the Boer losses were heavy. No details have been received.

Durban, Thursday, November 9.—It is understood that a message was received here today from General White at Ladysmith, by pigeon, containing birthday congratulations for Prince of Wales, and was forwarded to London.

BOERS VERY ACTIVE.

Have Torn Up The Railroad Below Colenso—Krugers Orders Six British Officers to Be Held as Hostages for the Safety of a Spy.

Eastport, Nov. 14.—The Boers evidently anticipating the British plan of relieving General White, have broken up the railroad below Colenso and are gathering in large numbers south of Ladysmith. It is unknown whether the Tugela river bridge at Colenso has been destroyed or not. It is probably mined. A heavy bombardment continues at Ladysmith and the Eastport defenses are being constantly strengthened. It is not believed that the Boers will attack this town.

BOER SPY CAPTURED.

Capetown, Nov. 14.—One of the Boer leaders, a close friend of President Kruger, has been arrested at Ladysmith as a spy. As soon as he was informed of the arrest, President Kruger telegraphed to General Buller to shoot six British officers from among the prisoners if Marks is shot. Under instructions from Kruger, Joubert sent a copy of this order to General White.

KIMBERLEY THREATENED WITH FAMINE

Capetown Advises Say the Inhabitants Are Allowed Only Eight Ounces of Food Per Day.

Capetown Nov. 11.—Kimberley is threatened with famine and a message from there says the inhabitants are allowed only eight ounces of food a day. Cecil Rhodes labors indefatigably to keep up the spirits of the inhabitants. He has given several "famine lunches" at his hotel, and goes out daily to the defenses to encourage the men.

Messages from Dear Junction report that a large British camp has been established there preparing for the division that will march to the relief of Kimberley and Mafeking. An official message from Kimberley on the 6th, says the wounded are progressing satisfactorily. One of the outposts south of town has been missing since the 4th of November and is supposed to have been captured by the Boers.

CRUISERS RACE TO MANILA.

New Orleans is Gaining on the Brooklyn in a Hot Chase.

Washington, Nov. 14.—The New Orleans is beating the Brooklyn in the ocean race for Manila. The Brooklyn sailed yesterday from Port Tewfik for Aden, at the mouth of the Red Sea, while the New Orleans arrived at Port Said, at the western end of the Suez Canal, the day before.

For the New Orleans, it is said at the Navy Department, where the race is being watched with interest, has gained a full day's time on the crack American cruiser as she is now only three days behind sailing under a handi cap.

FILIPINOS EXPECT AID.

Intercepted Dispatch Reveals Their Hopes.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 11.—A dispatch from General Otis, received today, concerned an intercepted dispatch from the insurgents, in which was the following: "Take care of prisoners as therein lies our only hope. Spanish commissioners tried to deceive us; dealing with us as insurgents; our Government sent them away and they withdrew greatly displeased. Quadruple alliance between Germany, France, Russia and Spain is a fact. Before December will know our fate. Throughout Europe there is sympathy for our cause. American Democrats clearly in our favor; they are sure of Bryan's triumph next election. Pay no attention to your affairs and never mind the rest."

AMERICAN ARMY IN DISTRESS.

Other dispatches received today from Otis at Manila tell of severe typhoons which have prevailed for two days over Panay, greatly impeding General Hughes' troops on their march. He says insurgents near Panay have abandoned strong defenses.

General Otis reports the country submerged and that wheel transportation is impossible, but that Lawton is pushing troops through Lupatungan and San Quintin. Yesterday two companies of the Seventeenth Infantry, under Chynoweth, made a reconnaissance on Malalong and Concepcion road. They struck a battalion of the enemy, which left 29 dead on the field. The American casualties were three wounded.

MAJOR JOHN A. LOGAN KILLED.

Fell While Leading His Battalion On Last Sunday.

Washington, November 14.—A cable dispatch received at the War Department today announced that Major John A. Logan, Twenty-third Volunteer Infantry, had been killed in a fight in Luzon. He was leading his battalion in action. He was a son of the late General John A. Logan, of Illinois, and Mrs. Mary A. Logan, now a resident of Washington. He leaves a widow and three children, who are at present residing at Youngstown, Ohio.

The news of his death was conveyed in the following cablegram from General Otis, under date of Manila today: "Wheaton reports November 12 there was an engagement near San Jacinto between the Twenty-third Volunteers and 1,200 entrenched insurgents. Our loss, Major Logan, while gallantly leading battalion, and six enlisted men, killed. Captain Greene and eleven men were wounded, mostly very slight. The enemy was routed leaving 81 dead in the trenches. His loss is believed to be 300."

"Lawton reports from San Jose that in the vicinity of San Nicholas, north of Tayug, Wessels captured 13 carts with the insurgent war department records; the printing press complete of the insurgent newspaper, and a large quantity of rice also captured. The cavalry is still actively engaged, and the infantry is pressing in from San Jose and Arga. The roads are impracticable for any wheel transportation, and the horses are starved on rice and growing rice straw."

AGUINALDO CORNERED NEAR TARLAC.

The Insurgent Leader With His Entire Army is Surrounded and Cannot Escape.

Washington, Nov. 13.—Secretary Root this morning received a cablegram from General Otis announcing that he had captured Aguinaldo's Secretary and a large amount of property and that the indications were that we now have Aguinaldo in a cul de sac from which he cannot escape. The secretary was immensely delighted at the news from General Otis, which confirms the fall of Tarlac and the capture of 175 bolomen who were transporting Aguinaldo's property over the mountains, together with his private secretary.

Seven officers and sixty-nine Spanish and two American prisoners were rescued. A Manila dispatch from the Capes dated November 13th says the army left Nauhan at 4 o'clock this morning, leaving Col. Smith there with a small force as a garrison. The roads all the way are a swamp, and in one place the engineers had to build a corduroy road for half a mile.

WRECK OF THE CHARLESTON.

Admiral Watson Cables That the Entire Crew Was Landed Safely on Kamigulu Island.

Washington, Nov. 14.—Admiral Watson cables that the Charleston was wrecked on an uncharted coral reef on the morning of the 2nd instant, and everybody was safely landed on Kamigulu Island armed with rifles and two Colt guns. The natives were friendly. Captain McDonald made for Lingapen Gulf sailing in a launch to the northwest with a monsoon and heavy sea prevailing.

The ship struck easily, and then thumped violently. The fire room compartments were flooded, and the first watertight door closed promptly. The ship lists settled aft, with water one foot deep and well out forward.

Ten days provisions in half rations were landed and the Helena was dispatched from Lingayen to Kamigulu where she is due today. Hong Kong has been cabled to for salvage officers.

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JAMES A. PERRY

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CHASING AGUINALDO.

Lawton and MacArthur Close on the Heels of the Elusive Filipino.

Manila, Nov. 15.—Heavy rain continues, with little news from Lawton, owing to the telegraph extending only to San Jose. It is known that a troop of cavalry has reached Bambang and another Arito. Dispatches captured on Saturday say that Aguinaldo was then reported as within twenty hours' march of San Jacinto.

He had evidently made preparations to retreat if necessary along the coast road. While holding both routes the Americans believed they could prevent the escape of the insurgents except a small detachment over the mountain trails.

MacArthur's scouts north of Tarlac got close enough to the retreating insurgents to hear the train bearing them move out.

BOERS CLOSE TO LADYSMITH.

Some of the Forces Within Fifteen Hundred Yards of the Town When Cannoonading Ceased.

Capetown, Nov. 15.—A Pretoria dispatch dated November 9th, says reports from Ladysmith received here say heavy cannonading started at daybreak. Some of the Boer forces were within fifteen hundred yards of the British when the cannonading ceased and rifle fire began. The dispatch also announced that all was quiet at Kimberley and Mafeking.

TALK OF MARTIAL LAW.

Governor of Kentucky May Act if Votes Are Thrown Out.

Frankfort, Ky., Nov. 14.—Senator Goebel and the Democratic leaders are still waiting on the final action of the county boards of elections in Jefferson, Christian, Knox, Johnson and other counties. It is claimed that enough fraudulent votes will be thrown out in these counties to give Goebel a majority on the face of the returns.

It is said Governor Bradley intends to declare martial law in the event that the Knox and Jackson counties are thrown out and that he will refuse to recognize Goebel as governor under such conditions. The rumor of martial law is not generally credited.

STATE NEWS.

The Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church, South, is now in session at Petersburg, Va., with Bishop A. W. Wilson, of Baltimore, presiding.

General Fitzhugh Lee, who is now in Virginia on a furlough, on his return to Cuba will be accompanied by his wife and his two daughters, Misses Ellen and Nannie Lee.

A gentleman who is very close to Governor Tyler has stated that he was satisfied the Governor would let his name go before the Democratic caucus for the Senatorial nomination.

Mr. Effe, the "Drummer Evangelist," will commence a series of meetings at Charlottesville, Va., on the 19th inst. A large choir composed of the members of the various churches in the city will lead the singing.

On last Saturday at Charlottesville the football team of the University of Virginia defeated the team of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute. The score was 20 to 0. Lyman, of the University, had his collar bone broken.

It is understood that Governor Tyler in his forthcoming message to the Virginia Legislature will urge that the State penitentiary be enlarged. It is now so overcrowded that ministers, of different denominations, have made a report strongly urging the enlargement of the building.

President McKinley has promised a committee, consisting of Major A. R. Courtney and Col. Robert White, to make an address at Mount Vernon on December 14th, when the Masonic observance of the one hundredth anniversary of Washington's death will be held. The address of President McKinley will be delivered at the tomb of Washington.

Mr. Martin P. Barks, of Bedford City, Va., has accepted a law professorship at Washington and Lee University. He has held for several years the position of reporter for the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia. Mr. Barks will resign the reporter's place, and there will, no doubt, be a lively scramble for the position as it pays \$15,000 a year.

A Town Clock.

For a town of its size Tazewell is wonderfully progressive. It enjoys advantages that few towns of its size possess and none surpass. We have an excellent water system, and have recently been supplied with a splendid electric plant. There is one thing that is needed, a town clock, which will not only strike the hours but that will also serve the purpose of a fire alarm. We are glad to be informed that a movement is now on foot to supply that need. It has been started by certain young ladies and gentlemen, who propose to organize a histrionic club, which will give entertainments, dramatic and musical, during the winter, and in that way assist in accumulating a fund to pay for a town clock.

This movement is commendable from three standpoints. It will assist in making an improvement to the town that will be highly useful. Then it will be a source of innocent and healthy amusement to the citizens of the town, as amateur entertainments in our community are always heartily enjoyed. The young ladies and gentlemen who take part in the work will be greatly benefited mentally and socially and should be encouraged to push the movement to success.

DEATH OF JUDGE H. S. K. MORISON.

His Death Was Caused by a Stroke of Paralysis.

Hon. H. S. K. Morison, ex-Judge of the judicial circuit composed of the counties of Scott, Lee, Wise, Buchanan and Dickinson, died suddenly at his home, at Gate City, Va., on last Thursday. The cause of his death was a stroke of paralysis. On Friday afternoon funeral services were held in the Methodist church, at Gate City, conducted by Rev. John L. Weber, former pastor of that church, and an intimate friend of the deceased. The esteem in which Judge Morison was held by his neighbors and fellow-citizens, was testified to by the large concourse of people which gathered to attend his funeral, the church building not being adequate to the crowd.

Judge Morison was a cadet at the Virginia Military Institute the last year of the Civil War and served with the gallant corps in the defense of Richmond the last winter of the war. After the war he studied law at the University of Virginia and was admitted to the bar in 1868. In 1870 he was elected Commonwealth's Attorney for Scott county, and at the end of his term was made judge of the county of Scott county. In 1885 he was elected judge of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit of Virginia, and served on the bench until 1894, when he resigned the judgeship and resumed the practice of law. In 1894 he was the nominee of the Democratic party for Congress, but was defeated by General Walker in a closely contested political fight.

New Mercantile Concern.

Mr. R. Cecil Chapman, who for more than a year has been engaged in business in New York, has returned to Tazewell, and has purchased the Dry Goods department of Harrison & Gillespie Bros. An invoice is now being taken of the stock and Mr. Chapman will take immediate charge of the business. He is an accomplished merchant, and will, no doubt, as the successor of Harrison & Gillespie Bros. do a fine business, being well known to the people of Tazewell by his long residence at this place. He will continue to occupy the store room heretofore occupied by his predecessors, and Mr. C. W. Jones, a most experienced clerk, will remain with him.

Harrison & Gillespie Bros. will continue to run the Clothing and Gents Furnishing business in the east store room which they now use for that business. This department will be managed by Mr. W. G. Harrison, who is a thoroughly experienced man in that line. He will be assisted by Mr. R. Jeff Ward, as clerk, being a clerk of fine experience.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

WHAT HAS RECENTLY TRANSPIRED IN THE COUNTIES OF THIS SECTION.

A new bank has been started at Lebanon, Va., under the name of Bank of Russell. Mr. Henry Stuart is President and Mr. V. B. Gilmer is Cashier.

The publication of a weekly newspaper, "The Outlook," will be started at Lebanon the present week, with L. L. and W. W. Bays as editors and owners.

Col. Geo. W. Blankenship, Supervisor of Census for the Ninth Virginia District, has been employed to assist in prosecuting Evan Bledsoe who killed Jno. M. Tate at Blackwater, in Lee Co., Va., on election day, the 7th inst.

Mr. Milton H. Rush has resigned the position of deputy collector of internal revenue for the district composed of the counties of Washington, Smyth, Grayson, Russell and Tazewell, and Mr. Paul E. Hayter, of Abingdon, has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

The Bristol furnace is again in blast and the daily output is 150 tons. The capacity of the furnace will in a short time be increased to 200 tons daily.

Sullins College, at Bristol, Va., resumed work on yesterday. The school was closed about one month on account of the small-pox prevailing at Bristol.

The Baptists of Wise, Scott, Lee, Dickenson and Buchanan counties are starting a movement for building a college at Big Stone Gap. The school will be for boys and girls and will probably cost \$50,000.

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

If Aguinaldo should be captured and the war in the Philippines be brought to a sudden termination it would be a great disappointment to a great many partisans, who had hoped to make political capital out of the war, if it continued.

Mr. Bryan has telegraphed congratulations to Goebel and expressed the hope that his election as Governor of Kentucky will greatly strengthen the party. Mr. Bryan must know the outrageous methods that have been employed by Goebel to defraud the people of Kentucky, and the course pursued by Mr. Bryan is not likely to raise him in the estimation of honest people.

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EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

Henry Watterson in explaining how the decent Democrats managed to vote for Goebel said: "We just shut our eyes, gave our souls to God, and voted." It would be truer if he had said, "gave our souls to the devil."

The revolt in the Democratic ranks against Mr. Bryan's leadership is very great and constantly increasing; but it is not sufficient to prevent his nomination for the Presidency. Nothing but a complete abandonment of the Chicago platform will relieve the Democracy of Bryan's control. That will come, but not before 1900.

The press reports state that relations are strained between Japan and Russia, and that war is impending between these two countries. On land Russia could soon crush Japan, but as the ocean divides the two countries Russia would find it a difficult task to reach the little game cock of the Orient. She is now second only to England in naval strength in the far East and her sailors know how to handle ships.

In Kentucky the Federal courts are taking hold of violators of the election laws. Over one hundred persons have been arrested for violations of the law at the recent election in that state, and thirty-five have been brought before Judge Toney, who held them in \$500.00 bail, each. If the Federal courts can punish violators of the election laws in Kentucky, why can't they do the same thing in Virginia?

The Richmond News says: "Almost every paper in the country has now explained the lessons of the recent elections, and strange to say that two or three of them came very near agreeing." Our observation is that all the Republican and independent papers and a very large number of the Democratic papers agreed in explaining the lesson as a splendid endorsement of President McKinley, and a rebuke to every position taken by Bryan on national questions.

Mr. Bryan in a recent interview said he didn't care if he never got an office, that he would keep on fighting in politics as long as he was outside a coffin. He said a few months ago that he wanted to make more money. Put these two things together and you can see what Mr. Bryan's patriotism amounts to. He was a poor man in 1896. Since that time he has accumulated a fortune of \$250,000 by dealing in (or rather dealing out) natural gas.

Of the 45,000 colored votes in Maryland it is said that enough voted the straight Democratic ticket at the recent election to give the State to the Democrats. The "Negro Appeal," of Baltimore, organ of the colored people in Maryland boasts that thousands of negroes "broke away from the G. O. P. and voted the straight Democratic ticket." The first movement of the Maryland Democracy to reward the negroes for voting with them is a proposition for the Legislature to pass a bill for the disfranchisement of colored voters.